

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 992

Celebrating the life of Gina Meekins-Tanks.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, October 29, 2025

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks, a champion for the Tidewater area who touched countless lives through her work with various service organizations over the course of her career, died on July 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks was born in 1958 and spent her early childhood in the Lambert's Point neighborhood of Norfolk, then moved to the Young's Park neighborhood with her family in 1966; and

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks attended Norfolk Public Schools in her youth, cultivating lifelong friendships and developing a strong sense of community engagement that later influenced her career path; and

WHEREAS, in her professional life, Gina Meekins-Tanks worked for STOP, Inc., and helped make local homes more resilient and energy efficient through its weatherization program; she subsequently transferred to Virginia Cares and helped individuals successfully re-enter society after a period of incarceration; and

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks also worked for KRA, a leading workforce development organization that provides life-changing career services to residents of Norfolk; and

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks finished her career as a member of The Union Mission Ministries, where she provided essential services to people experiencing homelessness and helped hundreds of individuals regain their self-esteem and dignity; and

WHEREAS, Gina Meekins-Tanks will be fondly remembered by her children, Tiffany and Andre, and their families; her mother, Betty; her life partner, Wesley; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Delegates hereby note with great sadness the loss of Gina Meekins-Tanks, a highly admired member of the Norfolk community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Gina Meekins-Tanks as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for her memory.

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